

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (Currently amended) A method for quantifying an impact of wasteful operations in a database, the method comprising:
  - receiving one or more operations that are determined to be wasteful when performed in the database;
  - detecting when wasteful operations are being performed in the database;
  - recording a time value that is spent on the wasteful operation; and
  - storing the time value, wherein the time value is used to quantify the impact of a performance problem in the database.
2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the time value measures time spent processing the operation in the database.
3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the time value is used to determine an impact on the database.
4. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the stored time value is associated with the operation performed.
5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein storing the time value comprises adding the time value to an accumulated time value for the operation.
6. (Original) The method of claim 5, wherein storing the time value comprises adding the time value to a related operation to the wasteful operation, the related operation being an operation that includes the wasteful operation and another wasteful operation.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising analyzing the performance problem using the stored time value.

8. (Original) A method for quantifying wasteful operations in a database, the method comprising:

receiving a plurality of operations that are determined to be wasteful in the database;

detecting when wasteful operations are being performed;

recording a plurality of time values for time spent on performing the wasteful operation; and

storing the plurality of time values, wherein time values are associated with a wasteful operation that the time values were recorded for, wherein the time values are used to quantify a performance problem in the database.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the impact of the wasteful operation is known before the performance problem is fixed.

10. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein quantifying the impact comprising recording a time value for the wasteful operation.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein the time value measures the amount of time the operation is processed in the database.

12. (Original) The method of claim 8, further comprising determining one or more rules that are used to determine when a wasteful operation is being performed.

13. (Original) A method for quantifying an impact of wasteful operations in a database, the method comprising:

determining one or more operations that are determined to be wasteful in the database;

determining when to monitor the one or more operations, wherein the one or more operations are monitored when the one or more operations are being processed in the database;  
detecting when wasteful operations are being performed;  
quantifying an impact of the wasteful operation; and  
storing a value that quantifies the impact of the wasteful operation for a performance problem in the database.

14. (Currently amended) A computer program product stored on a computer-readable medium for quantifying an impact of wasteful operations in a database, the computer program product comprising:

code for receiving one or more operations that are determined to be wasteful when performed in the database;  
code for detecting when wasteful operations are being performed in the database;  
code for recording a time value that is spent on the wasteful operation; and  
code for storing the time value, wherein the time value is used to quantify the impact of a performance problem in the database.

15. (Original) The computer program product of claim 14, wherein the time value measures time spent processing the operation in the database.

16. (Original) The computer program product of claim 14, wherein the time value is used to determine an impact on the database.

17. (Original) The computer program product of claim 14, further comprising code for analyzing the performance problem using the stored time value.

18. (Original) A computer program product stored on a computer-readable medium for quantifying wasteful operations in a database, the computer program product comprising:

code for receiving a plurality of operations that are determined to be wasteful in the database;

code for detecting when wasteful operations are being performed;  
code for recording a plurality of time values for time spent on performing the wasteful operation; and  
code for storing the plurality of time values, wherein time values are associated with a wasteful operation that the time values were recorded for, wherein the time values are used to quantify a performance problem in the database.

19. (Original) The computer program product of claim 18, wherein the impact of the wasteful operation is known before the performance problem is fixed.

20. (Original) The computer program product of claim 18, wherein quantifying the impact comprising recording a time value for the wasteful operation.

21. (Original) The computer program product of claim 20, wherein the time value measures the amount of time the operation is processed in the database.